

# REPORT

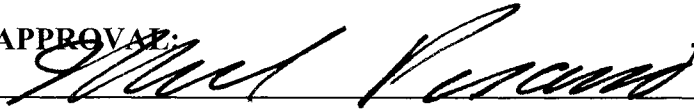
**DATE:** January 4, 2007

**TO:** Administration Committee and Regional Council

**FROM:** Wayne Moore, Chief Financial Officer  
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**SUBJECT:** Resolution #07-482-1 Authorizing SCAG to accept Blueprint Planning Grant Funds

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:**



## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Adopt Resolution #07-482-1 authorizing SCAG to accept \$975,000 in Caltrans Year 2 Blueprint Planning grant funds and amend the SCAG Overall Work Plan (OWP) to include the funds.

## **BACKGROUND:**

In November the Regional Council authorized SCAG to submit a renewal grant application to Caltrans for Year Two Blueprint funding to continue regional planning activities aimed at improving statewide mobility and conducting intensive comprehensive scenario planning. Caltrans made available approximately \$4 million statewide for second year funding during Fiscal Year (FY) 2006-2007. SCAG applied for \$1,100,000 in funding and has been awarded \$975,000.

In January 2006 SCAG was awarded \$1,258,450 in Blueprint Grant funds out of approximately \$5 million made available to all Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) by Caltrans. Since that time SCAG has undertaken several transit oriented development (TOD) and general plan update demonstration projects with various cities and subregions in the region. In addition, SCAG has provided a long range housing projection (2005 to 2035) in the Integrated Growth Forecast and has defined local household growth (occupied housing units) for the 2005 to 2014 Regional Housing Needs Assessment planning period at the jurisdictional level.

Concurrently, SCAG has developed new tools for assessing TOD impact on growth, development capacity/density analysis and evaluation data for the 2007 RTP. In addition, SCAG has supported several key subregional studies on mixed use potential, parking and smart growth and refinement of Compass Blueprint 2% Strategy areas in key locations across the region's transit network. Work will also begin this fiscal year on evaluating Compass benefits, and forecasting and demonstration project work will continue.

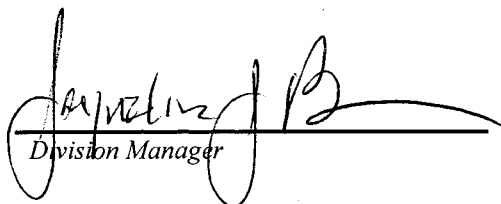
The Year 2 Blueprint Grant will fund additional Compass demonstration projects throughout the SCAG region and will also focus on measuring and evaluating Compass benefits and the impact on the environment. As with the first year Blueprint Grant, the SCAG second-year program will also stress our continued commitment to public engagement throughout our processes.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The total second year Blueprint Grant project value is \$1,218,750 of which SCAG will receive \$975,000 (80%) in funding for staff and consultant work. The remaining \$243,750 (20%) is required local in-kind or cash match which SCAG will obtain from commissions, cities, and other project partners throughout the region.

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Division Manager

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Department Director

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Chief Financial Officer

**RESOLUTION #07-482-1 OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
ACCEPTING CALIFORNIA REGIONAL BLUEPRINT PLANNING  
PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS AND AMENDING THE FY 2006-2007 OWP  
RELATED THERETO**

**WHEREAS**, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for six counties: Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura, and Imperial;

**WHEREAS**, SCAG was awarded \$1,258,451 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2005-2006 for the first year of the California Regional Blueprint Planning Grant Program ("Blueprint Planning Grant") designed to support related statutory requirements, programs and guidelines that address the need for integrated planning;

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2006-2007 California State Budget includes approximately \$4 million in statewide Blueprint Planning Grant funds available only to MPOs;

**WHEREAS**, each Blueprint Planning Grant awarded by the State will require at least a 20% cash or in-kind match financed with non-federal funds;

**WHEREAS**, SCAG applied for \$1,100,000 in grant funds in November 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, Caltrans has awarded to SCAG \$975,000 in grant funds for the second year of the project, which will require \$243,750 in local matching funds.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments as follows:

1. The Regional Council authorizes SCAG to accept and manage the second year Blueprint Planning Grant, to collaborate with other stakeholders in the grant program, and to implement the grant through the FY 2006-2007 OWP as amended.
2. The Regional Council approves and authorizes SCAG to amend the FY 2006-2007 OWP to include the Blueprint Planning Grant funds in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 OWP;
3. SCAG pledges to secure cash or in-kind services, or both, for the matching funds necessary to receive Blueprint Planning Grant funds; and
4. The SCAG Executive Director or in his absence, the Deputy Executive Director, is hereby designated and authorized by the Regional Council to execute all related agreements and documents on behalf of the Regional Council regarding the receipt and implementation of the Blueprint Planning Grant funds.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments at a regular meeting this 4th day of January, 2007.

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YVONNE B. BURKE  
President  
Supervisor, County of Los Angeles

Attested by:

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Mark Pisano  
Executive Director

Approved as to form:

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Karen Tachiki  
Chief SCAG Legal Counsel

# REPORT

**DATE:** January 4, 2007  
**TO:** Regional Council  
**FROM:** Alan Thompson, Senior Regional Planner, 213-236-1940 thompson@scag.ca.gov  
**SUBJECT:** Use of SCAG Logo for Caltrans Transit Security Conference

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:**



**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Authorize Caltrans to use SCAG logo as part of seminar sponsorship.

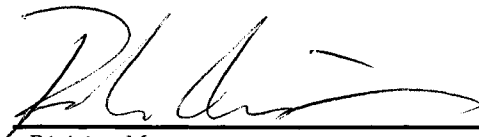
**BACKGROUND:**

Caltrans requested SCAG assist in the sponsorship of a Mass Transit Security Seminar to be held at the Long Beach Convention Center on January 25, 2007. The sponsorship is for the use of the SCAG logo in the brochure and associated seminar material.

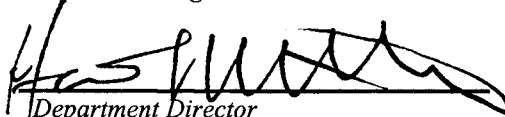
**FISCAL IMPACT:**

No fiscal impact. Use of the logo is without charge, and Caltrans is not requesting any SCAG funds to assist in supporting the seminar.


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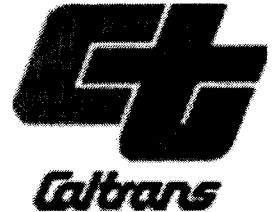
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# Mass Transit Initiative

*"Mass Transit Security Seminar"*



## Invitation

The California Governor's Office of Homeland Security Exercise Branch (CA OHSEB) and California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) invite you to attend the "Mass Transit Security" Seminar scheduled on **Thursday, January 25, 2007** to kick off the state-wide Mass Transit Initiative.

### Purpose of the Seminar:

- Bring California transit agencies (bus & passenger rail) together
- Discuss common issues and concerns regarding transit security
- Presentation on After Action Report (AAR) from 2006 Caltrans Response & Recovery Workshops
- Learn what is being done at the state and Federal level regarding transit security and funding
- Intelligence & Transit – Making the Connection

This one-day Seminar will consist of key speakers, a discussion panel and breakout sessions.

This will be the first in a series of exercises coordinated/designed by the Office of Homeland Security and Caltrans in an effort to improve capabilities to prevent or deter terrorist actions targeting mass transit systems, as well as improve response and recovery efforts following terrorist attacks or catastrophic events.

### Who should attend?:

Transit Security professionals from all public transit agencies (bus & passenger rail), Federal, State and local agency transit security representatives.

### Conference Details:

**Date:** Thursday, January 25, 2007  
**Time:** 8:30 am - 4:00 pm (registration begins at 8:00 am)  
**Location:** Long Beach Convention Center  
300 E. Ocean Blvd  
Long Beach, CA 90802

### Cost:

Registration **FREE** for all participants. A working lunch will be provided at no cost.

### Area Hotels:

See attached info

<http://www.chamberhub.com/cgi/foxweb.dll/wlx/dir/wlxdirectn?catid=1209&city=&lcZip=&client=LONGBC>

**Please RSVP by Friday, January 12, 2007 @ 5:00 pm**

Contact: Dave Torgerson at (916) 322-1740 or [david.torgerson@hs.ca.gov](mailto:david.torgerson@hs.ca.gov)



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## 2006 Mass Transit Security Seminar

### Background

Transit is a critical, high risk and high consequence national asset. Everyday transit provides mobility to millions of Americans in our most densely populated urban areas and serves the largest economical and financial centers in the nation. In one month, transit moves more passengers than U.S. airlines move in a year. Transit is designed and operated as an open environment—it is by its very nature a high risk, high consequence target for terrorists. Nationally, more than 9.5 billion passengers a year ride our transit systems. Transit subways travel under key government buildings, business centers, and harbors.

The U.S.D.O.T Office of Intelligence and Security estimated that in the 1990's transit was the target of **20 to 35 percent of terrorist attacks worldwide**. Worldwide, transit has been a frequent terrorist target, including bombings in the London and Paris subways, the sarin gas attack in Tokyo, the recent train bombings in India and bus bombings in Israel.

The transportation critical infrastructure must be secured to protect the national economy, the traveling public, and our way of life.

### Mass Transit Security Seminar

The California Governor's Office of Homeland Security and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will host the first statewide "Mass Transit Security" Seminar to kick off the Mass Transit Initiative. The seminar will take place in Long, Beach, CA on **Thursday, January 25, 2007**.

The Mass Transit Initiative seeks to provide a series of exercises and technical assistance for the Mass Transit Functional Area addressing the major mass transportation systems within the State of California. The goals of this initiative are to:

- improve and exercise the capability to prevent or deter terrorist actions at mass transit systems;
- improve and exercise the capability to respond and recover from catastrophic events;
- integrate transit resources with public response to threatened or actual terrorist actions

This Seminar will bring operations and security professionals from all public transportation agencies together with State and Federal industry professionals to discuss common concerns and problems related to transit security and funding.

The Seminar will include a presentation on the After Action Report (AAR) developed following the Caltrans Response and Recovery Workshops in October of 2006. The issues identified will be discussed and addressed during this and future conferences. Caltrans will be providing technical assistance to smaller transit agencies in rural areas. OHS and Caltrans will work to integrate smaller transit agencies into future exercises.

The focus will be to identify common issues regarding transit security, as well as best practices and lessons learned. This Seminar will be the first in a series of exercises, to include a Workshop, tabletop exercises (TTX) and future full scale exercises (FSE), including opportunities for transit agencies to participate in the state-wide Golden Guardian Exercise. These exercises will focus on integrating transit agencies, first responder agencies and intelligence sources to improve networking and working relationships to enhance future prevention, protection, response and recovery efforts.

### **Conference Info**

**Date:** Thursday, January 25, 2007  
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300 E. Ocean Blvd  
Long Beach, CA 90802

### **Conference Topics**

#### **Overview of OHS Training & Exercise Division**

- How OHS can assist with exercises and training opportunities

#### **Overview of state-wide Mass Transit Initiative**

- Exercise series designed to improve and exercise the capability to prevent or deter terrorist actions at mass transit systems and the capability to respond and recover from catastrophic events.

#### **Intelligence and Transit - Making the Connection**

- Overview of the State Terrorism Threat Assessment Center (STTAC) and the Regional Terrorism Threat Assessment Centers (RTTAC)

#### **Transportation Security Administration (TSA)**

- Surface Transportation Security Inspector Program

#### **State and Federal Transit Funding**

- Discussion panel including state and federal agencies to discuss future transit funding
- Presentation regarding Proposition 1b

#### **Breakouts**

- Transit agencies and representatives from various Federal, state and local agencies to meet regionally to network and discuss issues related to transit security